# Translate content items

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With [localization](#) configured for your project, you can start translating content items to other languages. See how to [add project languages](#) for more details if you haven't set up your project languages yet.

## Language variants

Depending on the number of languages defined for the project, content items can have multiple language variants with each content item identified by its title and codename.

Content items don't contain any content themselves. They serve as wrappers for language variants even in projects with just one language.

All language variants of a single content item share the following properties:

- Content item title (can only be changed in the default language variant)
- Sitemap location (deprecated)

Other properties such as [workflow](#) information (this includes current workflow step, assigned contributors, and due date), [comments](#), and [versions](#) are saved for each language variant separately.
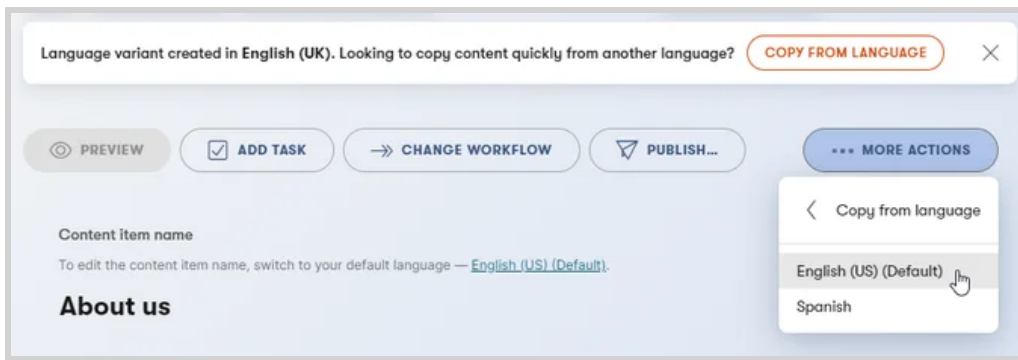
## Translate a content item

Let's see how you can translate a content item from *English (United States)* to *English (United Kingdom)*. Because these two languages are similar, you can start with copying existing content over from the original version to save time.

To create a new language variant of an existing content item:

1. From the app menu, choose ⧉ **Content & assets**.
2. Choose the *English (US)* project language using the language switcher.
3. Open a content item.
4. Change the language variant to *English (UK)* using the language switcher.
5. Click ⋯ **More actions**.
6. Choose **Copy from language**.
7. Choose *English (US) (Default)*.

Alternatively, you can also click the **Copy from language** button shown in the banner at the top of the screen. This banner is only shown once – right after creating the new variant.

Now, continue localizing your content. With the original texts in place, you can adjust the words to match the other variant of English.

> (i) **Opening untranslated items**
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> When you open an untranslated content item, Kentico Kontent automatically creates a new draft of the content item with empty elements, removing its "Not translated" status.

## Delete language variants

To delete one or more translated content items:

1. From the app menu, choose ▣ **Content & assets**.
2. Choose a language variant using the language switcher in the upper right of the screen.
3. Select content items using the checkboxes on the left.
4. Click ⋯ **More actions**.
5. Choose **Delete**.
6. In the confirmation popup, click 🗑 **Delete language variants**.
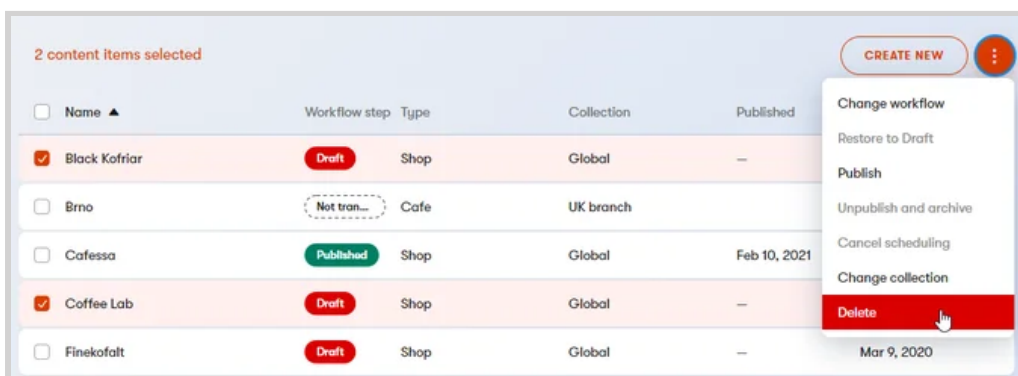


The language variants of the selected items are now deleted. If these content items have no content in other language variants, the entire items are deleted.

After you delete a translated language variant, this item will have the *Not translated* status in that specific language.

# What's next?

- [Switch between languages](#) in Kentico Kontent to quickly check regional variants of your content.
- Get to know your toolkit for [authoring rich content](#).
- [Work with media](#) in your content items.